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INSPECTION REPORT

| Partial: XXX | Complete: _ | Exploration: |
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| Inspection Date | & Time: 1 | 9:15 to 10:30 AM |
| , , | Date of Las | Inspection: 11/13/2000 |

| Mine Name: Willow Creek Mine | County: Carbon | Permit Number: C |
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| Permittee and/or Operator's Name:Plate | eau Mining Corporation | |
| Business Address: <u>847 Northwest High</u> y | way 191, Helper, Utah 84 | 4526 |
| Type of Mining Activity: Underground _ | XXX Surface | Prep. Plant Other |
| Company Official(s): Ms. Vicki Miller | | |
| State Official(s): Peter Hess | Federal Official(s | s): <u>None</u> |
| Weather Conditions: <u>Clear, Sunny; 30's-</u> | 40's Fahrenheit | |
| Existing Acreage: Permitted 14,670 | Disturbed 161.55 R | egraded Seeded |
| Status: Active XXX | | |

REVIEW OF PERMIT, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS & PERMIT CONDITION REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Substantiate the elements on this inspection by checking the appropriate performance standard.
 - a. For <u>complete inspections</u> provide narrative justification for any elements not fully inspected unless element is not appropriate to the site, in which case check N/A.
 - b. For partial inspections check only the elements evaluated.
- 2. Document any noncompliance situation by referencing the NOV issued at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
- 3. Reference any narratives written in conjunction with this inspection at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
- 4. Provide a brief status report for all pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Division Orders, and amendments.

| 1. | PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER, RENEWAL, SALE | EVALUATED [X] | <u>N/A</u> ∐ | COMMENTS [X] | NOV/ENF |
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| 2. | SIGNS AND MARKERS | [X] | П | | Π̈ |
| 3. | TOPSOIL | | | ii ii | |
| 4. | HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: | 1-1 | ш. | | |
| | a. DIVERSIONS | [X] | П | П | П |
| | b. SEDIMENT PONDS AND IMPOUNDMENTS | [X] | П | 苴 | |
| | c. OTHER SEDIMENT CONTROL MEASURES | [X] | П | [X] | П |
| | d. WATER MONITORING | [X] | П | [X] | |
| | e. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS | | П | | П |
| 5. | EXPLOSIVES | | Π̈ | Π̈ | П |
| 6. | DISPOSAL OF EXCESS SPOIL/FILLS/BENCHES | \Box | \Box | $\overline{\Box}$ | ii ii |
| 7. | COAL MINE WASTE/REFUSE PILES/IMPOUNDMENTS | [X] | \Box | $\overline{\Box}$ | |
| 8. | NONCOAL WASTE | [X] | $\overline{\Box}$ | $\overline{\Box}$ | 百 |
| 9. | PROTECTION OF FISH, WILDLIFE AND RELATED | | _ | | _ |
| | ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES | [X] | П | [X] | П |
| 10. | SLIDES AND OTHER DAMAGE | П | [X] | П | \Box |
| 11. | CONTEMPORANEOUS RECLAMATION | $\overline{\square}$ | [X] | П | Ш |
| 12. | BACKFILLING AND GRADING | \Box | [X] | Ш | \Box |
| 13. | REVEGETATION | П | [X] | \Box | |
| 14. | SUBSIDENCE CONTROL | \Box | \Box | Ц | |
| 15. | CESSATION OF OPERATIONS | \Box | \Box | Ш | \Box |
| 16. | ROADS: | * | | | |
| | a. CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/SURFACING | [X] | \Box | П | \Box |
| | b. DRAINAGE CONTROLS | [X] | П | П | \Box |
| 17. | OTHER TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES | \Box | П | П | Ш |
| | SUPPORT FACILITIES/UTILITY INSTALLATIONS | П | \Box | П | \Box |
| | AVS CHECK (4th Quarter- April, May, June) | \Box | \Box | П | Ш |
| 20. | AIR QUALITY PERMIT | | \Box | П | \Box |
| 21. | BONDING & INSURANCE | [] | [] | [] | [] |

INSPECTION REPORT

(Continuation sheet)

PERMIT NUMBER: C/007/038

DATE OF INSPECTION: 12/6/2000

(COMMENTS ARE NUMBERED TO CORRESPOND WITH TOPICS LISTED ABOVE)

1. PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER, RENEWAL, SALE

Ms. Miller informed the UDNR/OGM this day that the submittal of a revised reclamation plan for the Willow Creek site will not occur this month, as was previously anticipated. The reclamation of various surface facilities at the Star Point Mine and the reduction in work force experienced by the permittee has hampered potential accomplishments.

4C. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: OTHER SEDIMENT CONTROL MEASURES

The permittee has cleaned up some coal spillage in the vicinity of the rail loading reclaim belt. The temporary storage pile was placed adjacent to the access road. Ms. Miller agreed to have the coal pile moved to the designated coal storage area.

There was some minor rilling noted on the School House Canyon access road just down gradient of the first terrace traverse. Ms. Miller agreed to monitor this.

4D. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: WATER MONITORING

The permittee has completed the fourth quarter water monitoring requirements for the site. Analytical results are pending.

9. PROTECTION OF FISH, WILDLIFE AND RELATED ENVIRONMENTAL VALUES

The permittee has had the used oil storage tank located NE of the preparation plant's electrical substation pumped out by a certified recycler. Minimum amounts of gasoline and diesel fuel are being used to replenish fuel storage tanks at the site.

Note: This inspection report does not constitute an affidavit of compliance with the regulatory program of the Division of Oil, Gas & Mining.

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